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1. The Transportation Section of the Soviet Control Commission issued an order in late February 1950 that 80 locomotives in the Berlin railroad district be withdrawn from current operations, effective within 24 hours. The explanation given was a shortage of coal.
2. A thorough overhaul of these locomotives was simultaneously ordered. Completion of repairs was to be reported without delay. No orders covering new use of the locomotives had been published by the beginning of April.

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Comment:

It cannot be determined whether the withdrawal of these locomotives is connected with the formation of a new locomotive reserve*, or whether it has something to do with the reported dispatch of empty trains beyond the Oder-Neisse line**. The fact that the order was effective immediately partly substantiates the assumption that the measures were taken to prepare for transportation operations to be expected on short notice.

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